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Reserves Called Up In Argentine Strike

BUENOS AIRES (Reuter). — Public transport services were completely paralyzed on Sunday at the start of a general strike triggered off by Sunday's police clash with 6,000 strikers who took over the National Meat Packing Plant in Buenos Aires.

The Ministry of Defence announced that the 1937 class of conscripts, recently demobilised, was Sunday called back to barracks. It added that "all preliminaries for calling up the 1935 and 1936 classes are complete."

Thousands of persons were stranded by the strike, called by supporters of the exiled ex-President Juan Peron against President Arturo Frondizi's new austerity drive to counter inflation.

The strike halted the subway, trams, buses and taxis, and all sports meetings were called off. Trains ran normally, but under military control.

Journalists and printers unions decided to join the strike and there will be no newspapers in the city tomorrow. International and inland flights were suspended owing to a walkout by ground crews.

All the Peronista-backed industrial unions and port workers have joined in the strike, which threatens supplies of food and other essentials for the capital and most of the country. Civil servants, commerce and bank workers are expected to join in.

Rebellious Mood

The strike followed a general mood of rebellion which swept the city after Saturday's four-hour battle between 1,000 police and the meat-packing plant strikers. Following the clash a police statement said peace would be "firmly maintained."

Several terrorist bombs exploded in Buenos Aires including one at the home of the financial adviser and a close friend of President Frondizi, Mr. Frigerio, and at installations of the U.S. Information Service delegation at La Plata, causing considerable damage.

Government political observers believe the outbreak of labour unres has been carefully timed by political supporters of ex-President Peron, aided by Communists and Nationalists, to coincide with the absence of President Frondizi, who was due to leave later Sunday on an official visit to the U.S.

Union leaders demand among other things an all-round wage increase of 1,500 pesos (about $22.50) a month, price control of essential commodities, and request the government to abstain from mass dismissal of civil servants.

The strikes are for an indefinite period.

Lists of Ministry Spokesmen Ready

A comprehensive list of Government officials in the various Ministries who will be authorized to divulge official information to the press has been forwarded to the Government Secretary and will be brought before the Editors' Committee later this week.

It is learned that most of the Ministries have submitted lists including a considerable number of officials, and it is believed that the lists will satisfy the Ediotrs' Committee.

The Prime Minister's Office has named 40 officials; the Foreign Ministry 17; the Ministry of Transport 13; the Ministry of Posts 11; the Ministry of Interior 11; and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry seven. Other Ministries are to submit names within the next few days.

The Government Secretary, Mr. Katriel Katz, told the press yesterday that the Ministry spokesman also is to be empowered to authorize additional officials to inform the press on specific subjects within their respective fields.

Yarmuk Project Threat To Israel Settlements

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — Jordan's imminent diversion of the waters of the Yarmuk river threatens seven settlements of the Jordan Valley with total loss of their water supply for 15,000 dunams now being irrigated.

This danger to one of Israel's most productive farming areas was urgently called to the Government's attention on Sunday at a meeting of the Jordan Valley Regional Council. The Council's chairman, Mr. Menahem Roll, said that the valley would be robbed of 22m. cu.m. of water annually if no steps were taken by the summer of 1960.

He noted that some time ago the construction of an aqueduct to bring water from Lake Kinneret had been proposed, but the plan had been shelved because it was to have cost IL3.5m. and because of cuts in the Development Budget. Sunday's meeting approved a proposal to lay a temporary pipeline until the aqueduct is built.

Storm Damages Ships Off North Africa

TUNIS. — Two French Navy ships rescued the entire 37-man crew of the ill-starred U.S. freighter "Valiant Effort" early Sunday morning in a raging storm off the Tunisian coast, a spokesman at the French naval base in Bizerta declared.

The "Valiant Effort" was now aground off the coast, the spokesman said, and the storm was pounding it savagely.

A cargo-laden French coaster was driven aground near Philippeville as storms along the Algerian coast over the weekend damaged shipping in the port.

The worst cold of the winter hit Japan over the weekend, bringing high winds and heavy snow and sending the temperature in Tokyo to 6.1 degrees centigrade below zero.

Buildings collapsing under the weight of snow in Tayama and Fukui, Central Japan, crushed two women to death and injured two others.

But in Melbourne, at least 10 persons, including six children, died of heat exhaustion in a heatwave over the weekend. The temperature on Sunday rose to 42 degrees.
(Reuter, UPI)

S.S. Yarden Launched In West Germany

TEL AVIV. — The newest addition to Israel's merchant marine, the s.s. Yarden, was launched on Sunday in Luebeck harbour in West Germany. The 4,400-ton ship was ordered by the Zion Company from Reparations funds for DM 6 m. (about IL3m.)

HUSSEIN PROPOSES

LONDON (AFP). — The "Sunday Dispatch" reports that King Hussein of Jordan has proposed marriage to Princess Fazilia, fiancée of his cousin, Faisal, who was murdered by the Baghdad revolutionaries last July.

Wet Weather Predicted After Strong Winds

Jerusalem Post Staff

Sudden strong winds in the south and central regions on Sunday portended a change in the spring-like weather, and the Lydda weatherman forecast rain after midnight and intermittent rainfall for Monday (today) with thunderstorms. This is to be accompanied by a fall in temperatures.

A sudden gale hit Tel Aviv after 6 p.m., and later reached 75 kms. an hour, breaking a two-day spell of balmy weather that brought many people out in summer clothes.

Strong winds blew in Jerusalem and the temperature dropped sharply in the evening.

Sandstorms swept the Negev in the afternoon, and the dust clouds heavily impeded traffic on the roads, as well as interfered with telephone communications. The inhabitants of Eilat were surprised at seeing huge waves beat against their shore, and preparations were made in the afternoon to make fast tourist and fishing boats.

("Farmers Short"—P. 3, Col. 2)

AFTER MIDNIGHT

President Tito of Yugoslavia, who is at present touring India, will visit Syria for a few days in the middle of next month, an official source said in Damascus on Sunday, Reuter reported.

Still they come

by boat, by plane — hundreds, thousands of them. Their belongings add up to anything between 40 to 70 kg. at the very most — they are not permitted to take with them more than that, on leaving their country of origin. And so they come, short of everything. They know the meaning of hard work and great suffering: they come prepared for anything. They ask for two things only: work, and a roof over their heads. You must not let them down. Contact any bank branch, and buy Immigration Loan Bonds; contact any of the local committees for the Immigration Loan, or any of the economic and professional organization centres — and ensure your participation in the Immigration Loan.
(Advt.)

Russian Help For Egyptian Shipyard

CAIRO (Reuter). — Soviet and U.A.R. officials on Sunday signed an agreement for Soviet aid in the construction of a shipyard at Alexandria.

The agreement, a protocol to Russia's general aid programme to the U.A.R., provides for the supply of Soviet machinery, equipment and materials for the shipyard where these are not found locally. Cairo reports say the shipyard will cost £650,000.

The West German industrial firm of Krupp had put forward a tender of 45 m. marks to build the shipyard. Other tenders were received from Poland and East Germany.

Eban Confers With Dulles Today

WASHINGTON (INA). — Israel Ambassador Abba Eban is to confer on Monday with Secretary of State Dulles. It is understood that they will discuss recent changes in the Middle East.

Appearing on a television programme here on Sunday, Mr. Eban said there were more dangerous situations in the world today than the Israel-Arab dispute. The Ambassador said that tensions among the Arab states are such that they do not have time to concentrate on Israel. He said the Arabs are so absorbed in whether they will be dominated by Abdul Nasser that they show no signs at present of cooperation for new aggression against Israel.

Mr. Eban said Israel was now getting military equipment from Western sources, although this imposed a financial burden. He said Israel's armed strength had now reached the point that it is a good deterrent.

Kassem, U.S. Envoy In 'Friendly' Talk

LONDON (Reuter). — The Iraqi Prime Minister, Abdul Karim Kassem, had a two-hour, "extremely friendly" meeting with the new American Ambassador to Iraq in Baghdad on Sunday, Baghdad Radio reported in an Arabic broadcast.

The meeting dealt "with the future relations and the friendly cooperation between the two countries," the radio said.

Cabinet Views Western Shift In M-E Policy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Foreign Minister advised the Cabinet on Sunday that there was cause for Israel to be concerned over recent changes in the policies of the Western powers towards the Arab countries, particularly the U.A.R. and Iraq, *The Jerusalem Post* learns.

In the course of a report to the regular Cabinet meeting, Mrs. Golda Meir is believed to have drawn attention to the initialling of the Anglo-Egyptian financial accord, which is likely to be followed by the resumption of diplomatic relations, though it is not known to what extent this will affect Britain's relations with Israel. It is also pointed out that last month's Middle East tour by U.S. Assistant Secretary of State William Rountree did not include Israel in his itinerary. These are taken as further evidence of a change in the Western attitude towards Arab countries.

Eban-Dag Meeting

The Foreign Minister also reported on Ambassador Eban's meeting last week with the U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold.

Mrs. Meir is also understood to have reported on what has been learned of the recent visit to Cairo by Italian Premier Fanfani. It is generally thought that this visit was in the nature of a mission on behalf of the Western powers.

It is learned that Israel has already expressed its agreement to the principle of the demarcation of the international Israel-Syrian border, and a reply to the formal request from UNTSO headquarters concerning technical arrangements for the demarcation is likely to be sent within the next few days.

The official communique said:

At its regular session on Sunday, the Cabinet

heard a political report from the Foreign Minister;

discussed the internal organization of the Ministry for Social Welfare;

authorised the Minister of Education and Culture to organise memorial projects to mark the 100th anniversary of the birth of Sholem Alechem and the 25th anniversary of the death of Chaim Nahman Bialik.

Social Welfare Ministry Plan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Transfer of several major functions of the Ministry of Social Welfare to other Ministries better adapted to deal with them, recommended in the organizational report on the Ministry submitted by Dr. Giora Lotan, Director-General of the National Insurance Institute, was considered by the Cabinet on Sunday.

The report was submitted last week to the acting Minister of Social Welfare, Mr. Ben-Gurion. Dr. Lotan had been commissioned by the Cabinet to prepare an organizational report on the Ministry in preparation for its reorganization and the appointment of a new Minister. The post has been vacant since the resignation of Mr. Moshe Shapira last July.

According to Dr. Lotan's recommendations, the judicial aspects of juvenile delinquency and the supervision of charitable trusts would be transferred to the Ministry of Justice, while the educational aspects of adult and juvenile probation services would be placed under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education and Culture.

The report also recommends that supervision of certain public, social and educational institutions be carried out by the Ministry of Interior, which already includes the Registrar of Societies. In addition, health services for the aged would be transferred to the Ministry of Health and grants to aged new immigrants who do not qualify for National Insurance would nevertheless be administered by the National Insurance Institute.

According to the report, the proposed transfers of Ministry of Welfare departments would involve the transfer of their personnel to the other Ministries and would also call for budgetary reallocations.

The report was discussed only at Sunday's meeting as most of the Ministers asked for time to study the proposals. It was decided, however, to conclude discussion of the report and to name a new Minister of Social Welfare at the next meeting. In this connection it is learned that the only candidate mentioned for that post at Sunday's meeting was the Minister Without Portfolio Mr. Peretz Naphtali. Earlier it had been reported that if he turned down the Ministry it would be offered to the Minister of Interior, Mr. Israel Bar Yehuda.

Citrus Board Broke Pledge To Order Cartons—Sapir

By AMOS MELAMEDE, Jerusalem Post Reporter

"The Citrus Marketing Board's decision not to order any (Cargal) cartons during the current season is a breach of contract and a deception of the public and the Government, and I call on the Board to retract," Mr. Pinhas Sapir, Minister of Commerce and Industry, told a press conference in Jerusalem on Sunday. If the C.M.B. did not reverse its present stand, he added, "I will have my representative on the Board withdrawn and the Board will have no cooperation from me — I'll have nothing to do with them."

Mr. Sapir, reviewing the events of the past two and a half years in the feud between the C.M.B. and the Cargal company, said he had not hitherto made his views public since he had tried — in vain — to reconcile the two parties. The Board's decision last week, however, was a definite breach of faith and he wished to put the facts before the public now, in order to induce the Board to change its mind and carry out its earlier undertaking to buy 1m. cartons.

MR. P. SAPIR

"Out of dislike for Mr. Dubiner (main partner of the Cargal company), the C.M.B. people tried to deceive me and the Government, for when they said they would buy cartons, they knew very well that they were not going to carry out this decision," Mr. Sapir said.

Committee Appointed

Early in 1957, he continued, the Government appointed a special committee to study the packing of citrus. It was headed by Mr. Z. Sharef, then Secretary to the Cabinet (now Commissioner of Inland Revenue) and its members were the Directors General of the Ministries of Commerce and Industry and of Agriculture, Mr. Y. Gluckman and Mr. H. Gvati, respectively, and the late Mr. G. Meron, Manager of the Delek Oil Company.

In July 1957, after 18 meetings, during which the committee heard 13 representatives of the C.M.B., two representatives of Cargal, as well as a score of neutral experts, a unanimous recommendation was made to experiment with the use of cartons for two seasons. During this time, the Board was instructed to export 10 per cent of all citrus in cartons and a committee of specialists was appointed to supervise these shipments. At the end of this period, the Government was to make a decision on the use of cartons for citrus exports.

Some time after the Sharef Committee made its findings public, the C.M.B. met and decided that "it had read the report with satisfaction," Mr. Sapir said. When it came to carrying out the committee's recommendations, however, the Board showed little cooperation. It argued on every point and would not agree to order the necessary cartons (1.8m.) for the 10 per cent trial shipments.

Mr. Sapir revealed that, after having eventually persuaded the Board to purchase 1m. cartons, he suggested that the shipments be carried out under the expert supervision of an internationally-known Dutch firm of consultants. This was turned down by the Board, and agreement was reached on the appointment of the late Mr. Y.D. Offen, of the Ministry of Agriculture, as a one-man committee to examine the relative merits of the different forms of packaging used by the Board (i.e. wood and Bruce boxes and cartons).

Unprecedented Sequence

What happened during the past year constituted an unprecedented sequence of developments, Mr. Sapir continued.

On August 17, the C.M.B. decided that there was no purpose in going on with the experiment with cartons, and that it would place a final order for 1 m. cartons this season (1958/59). It further decided that inspection of shipments would be carried out only by the Board, and that a decision to buy cartons next year (1959/60) would require a 75 per cent majority on the Board.

On October 3, the Board decided to start negotiations with Cargal on the price and

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CMB Meets Today

TEL AVIV. — Members of the Citrus Marketing Board withheld official comment on Mr. Sapir's statement, pointing out that they had not formally been informed of its contents. Dr. A.S. Arnon, General Manager of the Board, criticized Mr. Sapir for making his statement to the press instead of presenting it at a meeting of the Board.

Four leading members of the board are scheduled to meet this morning (Monday) to decide what action to take in view of the Minister's statement. The cancellation of the order for cartons will be reviewed only at the weekly meeting of the Board next Sunday.

The Cargal management announced on Sunday evening that it had decided to cancel two shifts at its Lydda plant, and to dismiss 160 of its 280 workers. The plans was opened a few weeks ago.

The company spokesman claimed that this had been found necessary following C.M.B.'s cancellation of its order for one million cartons.

An emergency meeting of the Lydda Labour Council called on the Government and the Histadrut to take action to prevent the dismissals.

SYRIANS FIRE ON POLICE PATROL

TIBERIAS. — A Border Police patrol was fired on from Syrian positions at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. The patrol was in a field of Tel Katzir, in the Jordan Valley, well inside Israel territory, when a number of rifle shots were fired in their direction from the Syrian side.

The men took cover but did not return fire. There were no casualties.

Spain's M.E. Envoys To Confer Tomorrow

Spain's diplomatic representatives in the Middle East, including the Charge d'Affaires in Amman and the Consul-General in Jerusalem, are to meet in Damascus on Tuesday and Wednesday, under the chairmanship of the Spanish Foreign Minister, Mr. Fernando Maria Castiella, who is at present visiting Cairo. This was reported on Sunday by the Old City daily, "Falastin."

Averoff, Zorlu Discuss Cyprus In Paris Talks

PARIS (Reuter). — Mr. Evangelos Averoff and Mr. Fatin Zorlu, Greek and Turkish Foreign Ministers, discussed the Cyprus question over lunch on Sunday, a spokesman for the Greek Minister said Sunday night.

Members of their *entourage* said they appeared satisfied with the talk. They would not elaborate. The Ministers are to confer again on Monday.

Mr. Averoff and Mr. Zorlu have come here for discussions on relations between the six European Common Market countries and other members of the Organization for European Economic Cooperation (OEEC).

Their meeting was a continuation of the discussions on the Cyprus question which began with their contact here during the Nato Ministerial conference last month and the contacts which have since been maintained at ambassadorial level.

In Nicosia, meanwhile, five members of E.O.K.A. were arrested and a car containing arms seized on Sunday by British security forces operating west of Nicosia, reports reaching here said.

The report, which could not immediately be confirmed, said the men were captured at a roadblock near Zadhia village, 23 miles west of Nicosia. Operations against E.O.K.A. are still in progress in Cyprus despite a truce declared by the organization on Christmas Eve.

E.O.K.A.'s leader, "General" Dighenis, accused the British in leaflets circulated in Nicosia Sunday of continuing with the "war" in Cyprus despite the truce offer. He said, however, that this was the "time to show goodwill by means of solid acts."

"We shall strictly abide by our proclamation of December 24 last," he declared.

World Bank to Work With New Arab Group

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Mr. Eugene Black, President of the World Bank, on Saturday described the new Development Bank formed by the Arab League as "a very good thing."

"We plan to cooperate and have a close liaison with the Arab Development Bank," he said on his return from London. "We could even join with the new bank in financing Middle East projects if and when these projects are approved."

E. Germany Pledges Free Berlin Access

BERLIN. — East German Communist leader Walter Ulbricht in a speech released on Sunday said there will be no blockade of Berlin if the Western Allies respect the right of sovereign East Germany to control their traffic.

He denounced the Western occupation of West Berlin as illegal and warned the west that "war provocations" over the city would be "suicide."

Ulbricht told last week's meeting of the Central Committee of the East German Communist Party that the Soviet plan to make West Berlin a free, demilitarized city will give East Germany the right to control U.S., British and French military traffic running through the zone to the isolated city.

He denied that the Communists planned to blockade this traffic. But he made it clear his denial would hold good only if the Western powers agreed to East German controls.

Ulbricht also said: "The agreement between President Nasser and Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl on the establishment of Consulates-General is an important agreement serving the development of peaceful relations between our countries and peoples.

Iraqi Agreement

"We also welcome the recent agreements with the governments of Iraq and Guinea on the establishment of trade representations with consular rights."

A resolution adopted at the conference, and released on Sunday, provides that all party members who have office jobs must work at least one month a year in physical labour.

In Bonn, Defence Minister Franz Joseph Strauss said in an interview with "Welt am Sonntag" that the West German Federal Republic is incapable of again becoming a world power or an aggressor.

Mr. Strauss listed the following reasons for discounting the fears expressed by the Communist bloc:

West Germany is a member of the North Atlantic Treaty; she is dependent for her military equipment on foreign powers; she has only a small stock of war materials.

"We would require several years to build up a stock sufficient to enable us to conduct a war of more than a few weeks' duration," the Minister said. "The conditions which permitted Germany to wage war in the past simply no longer exist."

A full-dress debate on the future of Berlin is due to begin in the Council of Europe in Strasbourg Monday (today).

Big 4 Meeting In Spring Predicted

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — A Big Four Foreign Ministers conference sometime this spring was widely forecast in Washington on Sunday as a possible outcome of the talks this week-end between President Eisenhower and the Soviet Deputy Premier, Mr. Anastas Mikoyan.

Mr. Mikoyan has cut short his visit to the U.S. by three days and will leave on Tuesday to report back on the impressions he gained during his discussions with President Eisenhower and Secretary of State Dulles.

It was believed that Mr. Mikoyan wanted extra time to confer with Mr. Khrushchev before the 21st Communist Party Congress which opens in Moscow on January 27.

Neither a Foreign Ministers' conference nor a summit meeting were brought up as concrete proposals during the talks with Mr. Mikoyan. But the feeling in Washington is that the Foreign Ministers will meet before the May 27 deadline which the Soviet Union has set for handing over to the East German Government Russia's occupation duties in East Berlin and East Germany.

Batista Men Reported Rallying in Mountains

NEW YORK (Reuter). — About 500 members of the armed forces of the former Batista regime in Cuba were reliably reported to have taken refuge in the mountains to escape the swift firing squads of the new revolutionary regime, "The New York Times" said on Sunday.

The newspaper in a dispatch from Havana said a group of 80 were said to be in the Scambray mountains of Las Villas Province and about 400 were reported in the Sierra Maestra mountains of Oriente Province, Fidel Castro's old stronghold.

The newspaper said former President Batista, in exile in the Dominican Republic, was said to have sent a small boatload of arms and ammunition to his former followers.

Rabbis Favour Toledano Plan

The new proposals of the Minister for Religious Affairs on the registration question met with general approval, with one reservation, by the Council of he Chief Rabbinate at its meeting in Jerusalem on Sunday. The Council heard an explanation by Rabbi J.M. Toledano of his solution to the much-debated issue, but took no decision.

The flaw in the solution, according to speakers, was that though a child of a mixed marriage would be registered in the mother's identity booklet, there would be no indication of the child's religious status in the Register of Residents of the Ministry of Interior. They argued that this would provide loopholes when a child came of age and took out an identity booklet.

Rabbi Toledano declared that he had asked the Minister of Interior for more information, after which he would complete his proposals.

There was little discussion on Rabbi Toledano's second suggestion, that an adult be registered as a Jew if he declares in good faith that he is a Jew and his parents were Jewish.

It is understood that the Council will hold a fuller discussion on the subject after Rabbi Toledano formulates his plan for submission to the Cabinet.

At the meeting, Rabbi Toledano declared that the Government had no wish to abrogate the authority of the Chief Rabbinate. He also declared that he hoped a satisfactory solution would be found to the dispute over public transport in Kiryat Motzkin on the Sabbath.

Among the members of the Council present were Chief Rabbis Herzog and Nissim, Chief Rabbi Unterman of Tel Aviv, Rabbis Hadaya and Hadas of Jerusalem, and Rabbi Halevy of Tel Aviv. Chief Rabbi Katz of Petah Tikva, Rabbi Frank of Jerusalem, and Rabbi Yisraeli of Kfar Haro'eh were indisposed.

Mapai Meeting On Arabs in Histadrut

TEL AVIV. — The Mapai Centre on Sunday night decided to continue its discussion of a proposal to admit Arabs into full membership in the Histadrut at a further meeting.

Sunday's meeting, which was called to discuss the proposal, heard 10 speakers. An additional 15 signed up to speak.

Only two of the 10 speakers opposed the proposal.

At the end of the meeting, a suggestion by the party Secretary General, Dr. G. Josephtal, that the Mapai Convention be held from April 7-10 was unanimously approved.

MEAT AND FISH OFF RATION

The distribution of frozen meat and fish fillet rations will be discontinued as of February 1, the Ministerial Economic Committee decided on Sunday.

Do You Suffer from High Blood Pressure?

High blood pressure is an extremely prevalent illness and its cure is extremely long and difficult.

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Social & Personal

The President on Sunday received a delegation from the Supreme Spiritual Body of the Bahai Faith comprising Mrs. Ruhiyyih Rabbani, Mrs. Amelia E. Collins, Mr. A.Q. Furutan, Mr. A.R. Faizi and Mr. Leroy Ioas.

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The Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, on Sunday gave a luncheon in honour of the visiting Cambodian delegation. The guests were the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Kadish Luz; the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Ze'ev Tsur; Mayor Gershon Agron of Jerusalem; the Jerusalem District Commander, Aluf-Mishne Matityahu Peled; the Director of the Asian and African Division of the Foreign Ministry, Mr. Eliashiv Ben-Horin, and the head of the Foreign Minister's Office, Mr. Mordecai Gazit.

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The Minister of Interior, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda, on Sunday received the members of the rabbinical delegation now visiting Israel: Rabbis E. Rackman, Z. Segal and I.D. Bergman.

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The Ambassador of Ghana, Mr. William Q.M. Halm, will be the guest of honour and speaker at the Anglo-Israel Chamber of Commerce luncheon at 1.15 p.m. on Tuesday at the Z.O.A. House, Tel Aviv.

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M. Albert Moatti, Agregé of the University of Paris, will lecture on: "L'amour et le mariage chez Molière" — at the Centre de Culture Française, 3 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Jerusalem at 6 p.m. today. M. André Favereau, French Consul General in Jerusalem, will preside.

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The annual meeting of the League of Composers in Israel has elected the following Committee: Honorary Chairman, Mr. P. Ben-Haim, Chairman, Mr. M. Avidom, Vice-Chairman, Mr. A. Ben-Haim, Secretary, Mr. S. Heffman, Treasurer, Mr. Y. Miron, Members: Messrs. B. Bar-Am, L. Glantz, M. Wilensky, S. Petrushka.

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MEMORIAL SERVICE

A memorial service for Dr. Yosef Ne'eman will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday at Har Hamenuhot cemetery, Jerusalem. Special buses will leave at 2.45 from the Rehavia Secondary School.

2 BRITISH WARSHIPS TO CALL AT HAIFA

TEL AVIV. — Two minesweepers of the British Mediterranean fleet, the Woolaston and the Dartington, will visit Haifa from February 12 to 16, the British Embassy announced on Sunday.

LYDDA FLIGHTS

ARRIVALS: Sabena 527 from Brussels, Vienna and Athens, 2340. T.W.A. 800 from N.Y., Paris, Zurich, Rome and Athens, 2340. Alitalia 496 from Rome and Athens, 2400. K.L.M. 577, from Amsterdam and Munich, 0010 (Tuesday). Olympic 614, from London, Paris, Rome, Athens and Nicosia, 0050. (Tuesday).

DEPARTURES: B.E.A. 127 to Athens, Rome and London, 815. Swissair 238 to Athens and Zurich, 700. El Al 411 to Rome, Munich and Brussels, 830. El Al 301 to Kano, Leopoldville and Johannesburg, 0060. (Tuesday).

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

2.30, 6.45, 9.45

ARNON: The Great Dictator.
EDEN: The Magnificent Matador.
OR GIL: Terror in a Texas Town.
ORION: The Bridge on the River Kwai, 5, 8.
ORNA: The Hunters.
RON: The Whole Truth.
SEMADAR: The Heroes Are Tired.
TEL ON: Last Holiday.
ZION: The Leather Saint.
EDISON: No Time for Sergeants.
STUDIO: East of Eden.

TEL AVIV

2.30, 7.15, 9.15

ALLENBY: Jacobowsky and the Colonel.
ARMON DAVID: Operation Mad Ball.
CHEN: Around the World in 80 Days. 5, 8.30.
EDEN: Rouhoul Ettodi.
ESTHER: The Brothers Karamazov.
GAT: Indiscreet.
MAXIM: Indiscreet.
MIGDALOR: La Chatte
MOGRABI: The Bridge on the River Kwai. 3.30, 6.45, 9.45.
OPHIR: St. Louis Blues.
PEER: Ah, les belles bacchantes.
SHOFROT: Three Faces of Eve.
TAMAR: Their Secret Affair.
TCHELET: The Little Hut.
TEL AVIV: In Love and War.
YARON: The Unholy Wife.
ZAFON: Kanal
ZAMIR: In Such A Night.

HAIFA

2.30, 6.45, 9

ORION: Mohawk.
PEER: Cowboy.
ARMON: Around the World in 80 Days. 4.30, 8.
ATZMON: The Barretts of Wimpole Street.
GAL ON: Plus de whisky pour Callaghan.
HOFIAH: The Last Time I Saw Paris.
EN DOR: Hercules.
ORLY: Now and Forever.
AMPHITHEATRE: Mardi Gras.
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Three Calves for Price Of One as Drought Goes On

By MEIR RONNEN, Jerusalem Post Features Editor

BEER TUVIA. — The young farmer from Yemen was standing outside the doctor's house while his wife was inside with the baby.

"Over at Shtulim," he said, gesturing back across the hill, "we are praying for rain. If it doesn't come by Tuesday it will be too late. And if it does, it will have to rain all week."

Shtulim is a veteran Yemenite settlement, and like many, is insured against chicken disease and fire, but not against drought. This year, it has no hay for its cows, and no vegetables coming up. The drought upset all calculations.

"The Agency may help, but it will mean another loan."

Down the other side of the hill, at Orot, settlers from the U.S. and South Africa have only a wry grin for the weather. None of them will break even this year. With milk prices to the farmer dropping, one of their main sources of livelihood is disappearing.

With beef prices toppling as more beef is slaughtered because fodder is becoming more and more expensive, the farmers find themselves on the other side of the "stock" market. They are being offered three bull-calves for the price they paid for one earlier this year. Investing a year's fodder in a bull-calf is now a question mark, yet some of them are still buying.

Chickens Cheap

"It's one of the few chances to make some money."

With meat prices coming down, the demand for chicken has dropped, and with it the price to the farmer. One South African said he would lose IL250 on his next sale of meat birds.

There are three attitudes in Orot today. One settler said, "We keep battling, but we expect another subsidy will see us through." A second said he would fight the season through, "although I won't be making a living either."

Orot has a well, its water is cheap, and he thinks it worthwhile to carry his irrigation pipes around the hay, to keep it alive until the rains come. "It's no use selling my cows now, and I have to give them something to eat. When that is gone they'll eat straw." His fields are still green, as are others at Orot. But the level of the well dropped a metre this week.

A third settler has managed to sell his farm, and is leaving.

But the rest of the moshav has taken a decision not to put up any more houses and will distribute the rest of the land between present members, so that they can put in as many industrial crops as possible to help them through what promises to be a grim summer.

Over at Timorim, a *meshek shitufi* on the other side of the main road, a hazy green patch of hay that sprouted with the last rain stands beside a field of burnt wheat stalks. There is enough hay in the settlement to see the cows through, but a hard-hit treasurer is talking of selling it.

But Timorim has half a share in the Miromit factory at Ashkelon and some of its members (half of them are "Anglo-Saxons" and the rest sabras, Europeans and settlers from Egypt) work off the farm. At a time like this, the *meshek shitufi* provides a much greater feeling of security than that which seems to prevail in the "independent" moshavim.

It also reminds one that more and more agricultural communities are looking for some sort of industrial project to help them through the times when "agriculture does not pay."

Beersheba Quietly Absorbs Rumanians; Budget Inadequate

By H. BEN-ADI, Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — Three hundred immigrant families from Rumania (about 900 persons) have settled in Beersheba in the last three months. So far most of the newcomers have been housed in the Hatzerim *ma'abara* which is already bursting its seams.

Unlike immigrants from other countries, most newcomers from Rumania announced in advance that they would like to settle in Beersheba. One reason for this is that the town already has 1,400 families of Rumanian origin, and that most of the newcomers have relatives among them.

To ease the anticipated housing shortage for the new immigrants the authorities have contacted oldtimers of Rumanian origin asking them to buy Popular Housing flats for the newcomers against considerable reduction and easy terms.

The still unfinished hostel for professional workers — which is being built by Rassco and will be one of the show pieces of the town — is already booked up and the present Hebrew Ulpan will be also considerably enlarged to accommodate the newcomers.

The absorption of the 300 families took place so quietly that most citizens were unaware of it. Officials of the local labour exchange made inquiries about the newcomers because the majority of them did not even report to the labour exchange, but managed to find employment on their own initiative.

The IL3.85m. budget proposal actually represents a million pounds less than what is needed to give the town's residents the services that they deserve, according to Mayor David Touviahu.

In an interview with *The Jerusalem Post*, the Mayor said that established families will have to do with less to make it possible to absorb newcomers. No new taxes have been levied, he pointed out, stressing the difficult financial position of most of the townspeople.

Consequently, little improvement in sanitation services will take place in the coming fiscal year, while other services may even have to be curtailed. On the other hand, the Municipality is going all out to raise the level of its school system, and over IL1m. have been earmarked for educational purposes.

Each man, woman and child in Beersheba will contribute approximately IL50 towards running the town this year, the Mayor said. On the whole, the residents meet their rates obligations on time — the tardiest taxpayer is the Government, which owes some three-quarters of a million pounds.

Nearly half of the budget — IL1.9m. — is spent by the town on salaries. The biggest employer in Beersheba is the Beersheba Municipality itself, with 500 employees.

In this connection, the Mayor said that he had often tried to increase efficiency by paring dead wood off the city payroll. He admitted, however, that most of these endeavours had been stopped by political opposition.

On Sunday night, the Councillors debated the estimates for nine hours, and hope to put the budget to a vote on Tuesday (tomorrow).

Government Yearbook In English On Sale

The English edition of the 1958 Government Yearbook has been put on sale. It costs IL4.

The English edition is a translation of the Hebrew edition which appeared several months ago and has been brought up to date until the end of 1958. In addition to the comprehensive coverage of all Government Ministries and other agencies, the Yearbook has special features on the occasion of the 10th Anniversary, including an economic survey, a selection of leading legislation and an essay on the Israel Civil Service.

Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli**: — Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

— JERUSALEM —

• **Lectures and Slides**: — Gertrude and Otto Natzler, of Los Angeles, will speak and show slides on their ceramic work at Artists House; auspices of Bezalel Museum and Artists House. 8.30 p.m.

• **Zoo**— Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8-6.

• **Exhibitions**: — Permanent exhibition of antiquities. Special Exhibition. New excavations at Kebri, Roglit, Kfar Truman and Ruhama. Department of Antiquities, 26 Rehov Shlomo Hamalech, 9-1; 3-6.

Permanent exhibition of Jewish ceremonial art. Expressionism. Ceramics by Gertrud and Otto Natzler. Archaeological pieces. Samples of primitive sculpture, Bezalel Museum, 9-1; 3.30-6.

Hadva Lifshitz-Tamir: gouaches, watercolours and drawings. Gouaches by Feroe Bat Yossef. Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon Ave. 10-1; 3-5.

Y. Rasgour, (recently returned from France), oil and gouache paintings from France. Artists' House, 10-1, 4-6.

• **Film Shows**: — Israel Films daily, 11.30 a.m. Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Round Table Discussion**: — "Participation of the Older and Younger Generations in Public Life." Participants: Baruch Azania, Yishar Harari, Nathan Rotenstreich, and Moshe Rivlin. Rexet Club, 9 Ahuzat, 8.30.

• **Folk Dancing**— Students Mesas, Mamilla Rd., 7-10 p.m.

• **Tours**:— Hebrew University conducted tour in English, daily at 12 noon, New University Campus. Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting at 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

— TEL AVIV —

• **Zoological Gardens**: — Open between 9 a.m.—5 p.m.

• **Israel National Opera**— "Madame Butterfly," 8.30.

• **Exhibitions**:— Ya'acov Agam, "Paintings in Movement — Transformable Paintings." Tel Aviv Museum, 10-4.

Modern Art in Israel. Artists' Gallery, Beit Hamelin, 26 Rehov Weizmann, 10-1; 4-7.

Paintings by Sarah Glickmann-Faitlowicz. Artists' Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 10-1; 4-7.

• **I.O.A. Zionist**— Lecture by Robert Graves: "What it's like to be a Goy." (Sold Out). 8.30.

Tourist Service, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

• **Tourist Service**:— Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 28239.

Wiso Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon. Tel. 26825. 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

• **Theatre**:— Ohel, "Black Sabbath," 8. Chamri, "Look Homeward, Angel," 8.

— HAIFA —

• **Tourist Service**:— Hadassah Club, Youth Aliyah Offices, 22 Rehov Hehalutz, Tel. 67955.

• **Exhibitions**: — Consumer Goods Exhibition: Plastic Products. Industrial Design Exhibition Centre, Beit Nakraniot, Haifa, 10-1; 4-7.

— EVEN YEHUDA —

• **Entertainment**: — Degan & Shumacher; "Peh vi du gehat," 8.30.

Premiers Meet— On his way home from Cairo after talks with President Nasser, Italian Premier Fanfani stopped in Athens for talks with Greek Premier Karamanlis. He is pictured, left, shaking hands with Premier Karamanlis. Express Photo

Nenni's Plan For Independent Party

NAPLES (Reuter). — Mr. Pietro Nenni's majority group in the Italian Socialist Party late Saturday night issued a final text of its new programme of political independence from the Communists without a total break with the Communist Party.

The programme is contained in a motion expected to defeat a pro-Communist resolution when the party congress votes Sunday night.

Pietro Nenni

The Nenni motion calls for a renunciation of the loose agreement to consult with the Communists but makes no mention of purging the party machine of its pro-Communist officials.

Its three main points are:

1. Formation of an autonomous Socialist Party to serve the entire Italian working class in opposition to the ruling Christian Democrat Party.

2. Solution of relations between the Communists and the Socialists "outside all pacts of United Action or of consultations which presuppose a uniformity of political aims which in fact does not exist."

3. Promotion of a non-political trade union of all the workers.

A major thorn in the side of Mr. Nenni is that the Socialists and Communists are at present united in a single trade union.

Botticelli Bride

FLORENCE (Reuter). — The Marchese Emilio Pucci, leading Florence fashion designer, stole some thunder from Rome's fashion show on Saturday night by announcing his engagement to a baroness and launching a new "Botticelli" line dress to mark the occasion.

His fiancée, Baroness Christina Nannini, is a 20-year-old stenographer from Rome.

The Marchese claims that her fair hair and blue eyes recall the works of Botticelli, the fourteenth century master from Florence.

The couple plan to wed on February 7 and make a round-the-world tour for their honeymoon.

FIRE. — Seven hundred people were left homeless by a fire which gutted 128 houses at Tianan, in southern Formosa.

Mules Hold Own Against Scooters

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The motor-scooter is now vying with the mule as a means of pulling kerosene carts in Jerusalem—and the mule is more than holding his own.

The Shalhevet company, which distributes kerosene in the capital on behalf of the oil companies, recently bought a motorized kerosene cart (at a cost of IL2,000) to see whether this means of transport could not gradually replace its 24 mule-drawn carts.

A spokesman for Shalhevet, commenting on the scooter-drawn cart, noted that it was slower than a mule "for it crawled up hills like a turtle."

The kerosene distributors also believe that the scooter-drawn cart will be at a disadvantage in muddy lanes. However, the scooter's windshield and roof provide better protection for drivers during rainy days.

Thermonuclear Power Station for North Pole

MOSCOW (Reuter). — The first Soviet thermonuclear power station will have a capacity of 11 million kilowatts and will probably be built in the Polar region, according to Professor Babat, quoted by Tass.

His article, published in the magazine "Technika Molodetz," said the advantage of the Polar area is that the tremendous thermal energy the station will develop as a by-product of electric energy could be used to grow fruit and vegetables in hothouses and thus obtain unheard of harvests.

The turbo-generators of the station would produce one million kilowatts, the remaining 10 million being generated by the conversion of the thermonuclear energy directly into electric power.

Afridar Soccer Pitch

The first soccer field in the Afridar quarter of Ashkelon was opened on Saturday morning in the presence of Mayor Tager. The field was turned over to the local Hapoel branch and the youth soccer team in Ashkelon.

The field was built on land allocated by the Municipality, and Solel Boneh carried out the ground-levelling work free of charge. Volunteers carried out the remainder of the work.

The Public Works Department recently began constructing a sports stadium in Beersheba which will ultimately seat 25,000.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
822, 249, 38.6 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.55 a.m. 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.
English: 2.00 p.m. French: 2.15 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Gounod: Ballet Music from "Faust"; Wieniawsky: Three Etudes from opus 10 (played by David Oistrakh); Sibelius: Symphony No 4 in A-minor, op. 63; Delibes: Pizzicati from "Sylvia"; 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.15 Lunchtime Music. 1.00 Israel Songs. 1.30 Roberto Valentino (Piano). 1.45 Where to Go? 1.50 Light Music.

4.30 p.m. News in English, Swedish and Spanish. 5.05 Popular Songs and Melodies. 5.45 Children's Corner. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Test yourself in the Bible. 6.45 "From the Bookshelf." 7.30 At the Cinema. 7.40 "An Introduction to Musical Instruments of the Orient" — Various Violins. 7.55 Sonata for Piano by Harry-Zvi Nadel played by Gerti Belmer. 8.25 "Hit Parade." 8.50 Bible Reading, Yeshayahu, chap. 65 & 66. 9.10 Political Commentary by E. Eliav. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 "Curtain Up." 10.30 Little Concert: Ponchielli: "Dance of the Hours"; Copland: "Rodeo". 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
422, 468, 282.7, 41.7 & 32.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.00 Tunes of the Nations. 6.30 Music from Japan, played by Shin-Ichi Yuize and Reiku Yuize (Koto) with the Rameau Chamber Orchestra, and the Nakajima Group.

7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Izmenite. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.20 Ladino. 8.60 Rumanian. 9.15 Hungarian. 9.30 Polish. 9.45 News in English.

ARABIC PROGRAMME

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 a.m. 1.15-2.15 and 5.30-11.15 p.m. Persian 8.15 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.3 M.): Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News. 6.40 "Kol Zion Correspondents' Report." 6.50 Tune of the Week. 6.55 "From the Federation."

Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 7.25 "Kol Zion Correspondents Report." 10.35 Songs for Tu B'Shvat.

ARMY PROGRAMME (48.4, 216, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.40 Request Programme for Hebrew Songs. 7.00 News. 7.15 Tunes & Melodies. 7.45 Encore. 8.00 "Projector." 8.25 Classical Music: Works by Mendelssohn, Offenbach, Paganini & Enesco. 9.00 News. 9.15 Pleasant Tune. 9.30 Soldier's Platform." 10.00 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (19.66, 16.86, 13.92 & 13.82): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. Arts Chronicle.

MUSIC U.S.A. (19 & 25 M.): Voice of America: 9.00-11.00 p.m. Light Music & Jazz.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (434 & 456 M.): 7.35 a.m. News 12.30 p.m. Midday melodies. 2.15 News. 4.30 Teatime Music. 7.00 News and Commentary. 7.15 Excerpts from "Guys and Dolls." 10.00 Monday Concert. 11.00 News.

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ARSENAL REGAIN LEAD ON BLACK SATURDAY

It was Black Saturday for British Soccer, with a record 38 English League and 10 Scottish League games postponed because of the weather and ground conditions. The whole Rugby League programme and racing were among others hit.

In the few remaining games played, London came off very well. Arsenal, before a near 40,000 hardy crowd at Highbury, overcame the difficult conditions, and with a speedy and thrustful line, spearheaded by two-goaler Groves, beat Everton 3-1, to take back the top place in Division I of the English League.

Wolverhampton Wanderers did not play and dropped to second place, one point behind but with two games in hand, while Preston North End went to Leeds to win 3-1 and move into third position, with the same number of points as Wolves.

Tottenham Hotspur pulled off a deserved 2-1 victory at Newcastle and moved up the table to fifth from bottom. Fulham, in Division II, won by the same score at Ipswich and took over second place, three points behind Sheffield Wednesday. International Johnny Haynes netted their winning goal.

Goal Average

Plymouth Argyle beat Stockport 3-1, to retake the lead in Division III, on goal average over Hull City. London's Millwall slammed Barrow 3-0 at the Den, and now lead Division IV on goal average from Coventry City, who, however, have two games in hand.

Airdrieonians came into the honours race in the Scottish League. Following a 2-1 defeat of Clyde, they went to third place behind Rangers and Motherwell, both of whom did not play. Ayr United rule the roost in Division II and beat Montrose 8-2 in the biggest win of the day.

In a Rugby Union international at Arms Park, Cardiff, Wales slushed through to a 8-0 points victory over England scoring their first try in 10 years in an international on the field.

RESULTS: English League: Div. I: Arsenal 3, Everton 1; Chelsea 2, Portsm'th 2; Leeds 1, Preston 2; Newcastle 1, Tottenham 2. Div. II: Brighton 2, Brix. C. 2; Derby 2, Scunth'pe 2; Ipswich 1, Fulham 2; Swansea 3, Lincoln 1. Div. III: Aber'dare 8, 1, Swindon 0 (abandd. 37 mins.); Halifax 0, Mansf'ld 0; Plym'th 2, Stockp't 1; Q.P.R. 0, Bournem'th 0; S'thend 2, Chesterf'ld 3. Div IV: Ald'shot 1, Oldham 3; Bradf'd 4, Gateshe'd 1; Crewe A. 1, Watf'd 3; Gill'gham 3, Chester 3; Millwall 3, Barrow 0; Torquay 1, Hartlep'ls 2. Scottish League: Div. I: Airdrie 2, Clyde 1; Dunf'line 4, Falk'k 1; Stirl'g 3, Kilm'nock 1. Amateur Int.: Wales 8, Scotland 6.

COOPER WINS EMPIRE TITLE

LONDON (Reuter). — Handsome Henry Cooper, 24-year-old blond plasterer from Kent, won the British and Empire heavyweight boxing titles here easily outpointing Brian London, of Blackpool, over 15 rounds at the Earls Court Stadium.

It was a gruelling battle in which Cooper, over six kgs. lighter than the champion, was on top from start to finish and did not lose a single round. London possibly shared honours in the fifth and sixth. The champion had no answer whatever to Cooper's long left which jabbed and jarred at London's face. When the fight was little more than half over it was clear that only a knock-out could retain the title for the champion.

London lacked fire and though he occasionally landed right jabs to the challenger's head he never really had Cooper in trouble.

Both fighters ended their contest covered in blood before a capacity crowd of over 18,000.

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Tel Aviv Stock Market

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Pop. Loan 1955/60 (IL50)	97
3% Unemp. Loan 55/67	71
Pal. Electric Dbs. (pre.)	995
4½% Unemp. Loans	995
5½% Treas Dollar g)	1018
5% Reg. Sterling "A"	1018
Dev. Loan Bonds 62/8 f)	1018
4½% Dev. Bonds f)	107
4½% Dev. Bonds g)	1018
6½% Loc. G. Debs. f)	104
6½% Loc. G. Debs. g)	107
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ords.)	995
6½% Bonds 55/65 f)	1109
ditto g)	111
Koros Harvest 6½% Deb. 55/65 f)	1048
ditto g)	1048
6% Deb. 59/62 f)	1018
ditto g)	1018
Igroth 6½% Deb. 55/65	1048
Hassne 6½% Deb. 55/65 (Class "A" f)	1018
Class "B" f)	110
Hassne 6% pref. ord. sh.	95
Ub. Leumi ord. sh.	1351
Bearer Savings Cert. '59	964
Ub. Leumi Investment Ord. sh. "B" reg.	1703
Ata ord. "B" sh.	95
"Hardmash" ord. "B"	1654
7% con. debs. 59/68	95
"Tevs" ord. sh.	83
Pal. Cold St. (IL10.-) reg.	117
Mizrahi 6% debs. 55/65	999
Nir 5% pref. sh.	914
Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh.	99
6½% Debs. 61/65 f)	1054
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	61
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh.	606
Meller ord. sh. reg.	1080
Pal. Brewery 5% con. debs	775
Assis Bejarano "B" sh.	72
Mosher 6% debs "A" 55/64	115
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	64
Dead Sea Works	235
Delek ord. "C"	1014
Jordan Exploration Co. Ord. sh. reg.	644
G.U.S.—Rassco Ltd. 6½ debs 61/65 (bearer) f	1048
Housing Loan, "A" 55/65 4½% (bearer) f)	1044
Housing Loan, "C," 58/69 (Reg. g)	100
Clore Ltd. 6% Debs. 61/64 (bearer)	1018

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price; c) ex-coupon; d) ex-dividend; e) ex-right; f) linked with $; g) linked with C.o.L.; z) in % of IL1,000.

Oralia Dominguez

Dynamic Mexican-born Mezzo-Soprano, a leading singer at "La Scala", Covent Garden Opera and other important opera houses, who will sing the part of DAME QUICKLY in the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra's production of Verdi's "Falstaff" at the Mann Auditorium, Tel Aviv.

Mezzo-Soprano Dominguez has appeared many times under the baton of Carlo Maria Giulini and has been acclaimed at such major music festivals as those of Edinburgh, Vienna, Florence, Lucerne, etc. She is noted for her large repertoire of Italian and French works.

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Notices to the Public

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The Customs House, Yaffo: January 21, 22, 26, 28, 1959.

Lists of the goods to be auctioned may be inspected at the customs houses of Yaffo, Tel Aviv, Haifa and Jerusalem, as well as at the customs offices of, the Tel Aviv Parcels Office, Lod Airport, and the Tel Aviv Magistrates' Court, 35 Rehov Yehuda Halevi.

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The Weather

FORECAST: Generally cloudy with showers accompanied at times by thunderstorms over North and Central Israel, and a drop in temperature.

	A	B	C	D
Mt.Cana'an	63	0.6	10	12
Tiberias	80	—	23	19
Haifa Port	80	13	21	16
Natanya	68	13	21	13
Tel Aviv Kirya	69	13	20	13
Tel Aviv Port	68	13	21	13
Lydda Airport	72	10	23	13
Jerusalem	51	10	17	12
Beersheba	51	11	17	12
Sdom	19	11	28	23
Eilat	60	13	34	28

*A) Humidity at 5 a.m. B) at eleven (a.m.). C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Prof. B.C. Keogy, President of Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, from New York, for a 10-day visit as guest of the Government, (by El Al).

Rabbi Solomon N. Lipman, member of the National Board of Governors of the Israel Bond Organization and Vice-Chairman of the Long Island Division for Israel Bonds, for an extended visit.

DEPARTURES

Mr. Yigal Alon, M.K., to Britain, on a private visit, (by B.E.A.).

Mr. M. Savidor, General Manager of the Israel Railways, to Paris, for a 15-day visit at the invitation of the French Government to attend a study course for top railway officials opening on Monday, (by El Al).

Rabbi Kopel Kahane, Lecturer in Codes, Jews' College, London, and Comparative Law Research Worker, Cambridge University, to London, after an 18-day visit, (by El Al).

Dr. Kenji Ouchi, of Osaka University, Japan, after one year with the Department of X-Ray Crystallography at the Weizmann Institute of Science as a Rockefeller Fellow, for Europe and the U.S. on his way home.

FARMERS SHORT OF HAY

By MIRIAM DAVAN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Cattle farmers and the Ministry of Agriculture are now anxiously looking for means of replenishing fodder supplies which have been seriously depleted because of the drought, it is learned from the Ministry.

The full effects of the dry winter will be felt only in May, however, when last year's stocks of hay are exhausted.

Attempts to buy hay abroad have been discouraging as shipping costs, based on cargo volume, would involve astronomical prices though the fodder itself is inexpensive. The price of hay in Israel is now about IL.200 a ton, compared to the normal price of IL.60 to IL.100.

Little, however, is obtainable, since farmers whose barns are well-stocked have no intention of parting with it at any price.

If rain falls before the end of the month, it may still be possible to grow forage crops, but yields will not be normal. Farmers raising alfalfa will be instructed to grow it for use only as green fodder, instead of selling it to the dehydration plants for alfalfa meal.

As the water shortage will not affect the North as drastically as the rest of Israel, the Ministry of Agriculture is considering a plan to link farmers in the North with settlements in the South, whereby the former would provide the latter with a table supply of hay by special contract.

A suggestion has also been advanced to increase the peanut crop to a maximum this year. The value of the foliage would be almost as great this season as that of the actual nut crop. About half a ton of fodder can be harvested from one dunam of peanuts.

The farmers who will suffer most as a result of the drought are those who depend solely on their cows and do not grow any of their own feed. Most of the 1,160 members of the Farmers Federation's milk producers' organization fall into this category. Mr. A. Bar-Yehuda, their secretary, told *The Jerusalem Post* on Sunday that many of them would have no choice but to sell their stock if the price of fodder did not fall.

Owners of beef herds are also badly hit, with the sparse hill-side pastures proving far from adequate for their cattle.

(See "Three Calves" — P. 3)

Plan for Cable Delivery On Sabbath Dropped

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A directive issued recently by the Ministry of Posts providing for the delivery of telegrams on Saturdays, was withdrawn yesterday following the intervention of the Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Y. M. Toledano.

The decision to cancel the proposed telegram delivery service on Saturdays was taken at a meeting yesterday between Rabbi Toledano, the Minister of Posts, Mr. I. Barzilai, and the Prime Minister, Mr. Ben-Gurion. The meeting, at the Prime Minister's Office, was held at Rabbi Toledano's request.

The original directive was to have effect in the three main cities last Saturday, but was deferred at Rabbi Toledano's urgent request after he had contacted Mr. Barzilai at the end of last week.

PARENTS TO PAY 80% OF TEACHERS' PAY RISE

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Ministry of Education has decided that parents of secondary school children will only pay 80 per cent of the rises in school fees this year, a spokesman of the Secondary School Teachers Organization told *The Jerusalem Post* on Sunday.

The increases were from IL55 for the Fifth Grade to IL80 for the Eight Grade. The Ministry had instructed schools to make up the balance by cuts in maintenance costs, he said.

The organization is fully prepared to state its case before the Histadrut Court of Honour if the Histadrut Executive's decision to summon the Organization's leaders before the court should be carried out, he said.

The Organization will also demand that all schools pay their teachers the additional wage agreed upon in the fall of 1958. If this agreement is not honoured, the organization will take the "necessary steps" to ensure their members' rights, he declared.

Rabbis Urge Backing For Aliya Loan

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Council of the Chief Rabbinate on Sunday called on rabbis throughout the country to give their maximum support to the Aliya Loan. It issued the summons after hearing an address by the head of the Jewish Agency's Immigration Department, Mr. S.Z. Shragai.

Next Saturday, *Shabbat Shira*, all rabbis will urge their congregations to subscribe to the Loan, it was decided.

Attending this session of the Council meeting was the delegation of the Rabbinical Council of America. The delegation reiterated its recognition of the Chief Rabbinate as the supreme authority on the religious life of world Jewry.

Budget of IL20.8m. Passes In Haifa; Rates are Not Higher

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — A majority vote of the city coalition on Sunday approved the IL20.8m. budget for the 1959/60 fiscal year. There will be no higher rates although the budget is IL2.7m. larger than the previous one.

The difference will be made up by more efficient tax collection and the growth of the population. The Council reserved the right to reduce the budget by five per cent should such a move be necessitated by lagging income.

The General Zionist, Herut, Sephardi, Communist, and National Religious Councillors voted against the budget. The Council voted down a Communist proposal to expand the budget, and another from the right-wingers to increase funds for education, sanitation, and sewerage.

The right-wing members who took no part in the debate had proposed that no new gardens be planted during this year's drought to conserve water and save money.

Summing up the Budget debate, Mayor Abba Khoushy regretted that the law still did not enable the Municipality to collect rates according to ability to pay, and hoped the Knesset would soon rectify this. He said that 46 per cent of the city's breadwinners earned only up to IL200 monthly, and another 18 per cent up to IL250. He complained that the Government owed Haifa over IL1m. in rates, which it refused to pay. The Municipality was spending almost 50 per cent of the budget on services the State should supply and which it covered to the extent of only five per cent, apart from teachers' salaries.

Lists Achievements

He said that Haifa had almost abolished the second shift in schools; enlarged the network of roads and sewerage; had expanded the Municipal Hospital and introduced isotope treatment; new shops, offices, workshops, hotels and cafes were opened; 1,800 new flats were built, new gardens planted and much achieved in the cultural field during the past year.

It was expected that 10 new factories would be opened this year. The purchase of the Refineries and a start on the shipyard would result in a spurt of development.

Yet in spite of all this, a whispering campaign had been started that Haifa was stagnating, Mayor Khoushy charged.

The Progressive Councillor, Dr. G. Kaminka, who is a member of the Executive, made an earnest plea for encouraging private enterprise in Haifa.

The Opposition, comprising the General Zionist, Herut and Sephardi factions, took the unprecedented step of debating the city's budget at a separate meeting "in order to bring our views to the attention of the public and the city administration which will not let us speak on matters that involve the expenditure of millions of Pounds."

The six Opposition councillors took this step after Mayor Khoushy announced at the last meeting that each speaker in the budget debate would be limited to 10 minutes. "We ourselves limit our speaking time. The two-hour Council meetings always end on time and often earlier," Mr. Zimmerman said for the General Zionist faction.

Mr. Dan Gavrieli (G.Z.) charged that the budget committee had this year been given no chance to devote an exhaustive debate to the draft budget proposal.

Council Rumpus Over Poll C'ttee

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem Municipal Council on Sunday approved a 21-man Election Committee. The Council followed the principle that each Councillor should have one representative on the Committee.

This raised two problems. The National Religious party objected to having only two representatives, claiming that since they originally had three Councillors on the Council, they were entitled to three representatives, even if one Council member, Vice-Mayor Rahamim Kalantar, had gone over to the coalition.

When they were overruled by the Council, the National Religious Party announced that it would appeal to the Ministry of Interior. (Mr. Kalantar has appointed himself as representative of the "Kalantar Faction.")

Poalei Agudat Yisrael, which joined with Agudat Yisrael at the last elections to form a three-man Council bloc, claims that since both parties will probably submit separate lists for the elections, it should have two representatives and not the one it was allotted. (Agudat Yisrael has two). It bases its claim on an alleged agreement between the two parties according to which an Agudat Yisrael Councillor, Mr. Hillel Liberman, would resign after two years on the Council in favour a Poalei Agudat Yisrael Councillor.

The Council also approved the 1957/58 budget of the Religious Council.

During the three-week absence abroad of Mayor Gershon Agron, Vice-Mayor Mordecai Ish-Shalom is to act in his place. Mr. Agron is leaving on Sunday for the U.S. on behalf of the Histadrut Campaign. Time permitting, he will also speak on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, the Immigration Loan drive, and on Jerusalem affairs.

It is learned that the floor of the new Jerusalem reservoir, which has sprung several leaks, is being repaired.

The work should be finished this week; after another test filling, it will be emptied to determine whether any other repairs are needed.

The reservoir was formally inaugurated by Finance Minister Levi Eshkol two months ago.

INFILTRATORS from Akaba stole irrigation pipes and fixtures in Eilat on Saturday night.

Lord Boyd Orr Sees Medical Centres

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Lord Boyd Orr, an international specialist on world agriculture and nutrition, on Sunday toured medical establishments in Jerusalem on the first day of his visit here. Together with Lady Boyd Orr, he will spend three weeks in this country as a guest of the Government.

Lord Boyd Orr, a Nobel Peace Prize winner and first Director General of the Food and Agriculture Organization, was last here in 1952. He told *The Jerusalem Post* that he intended to study the country's development, and in particular agriculture and the Negev.

Visiting Hadassah's Family and Community Health Centre in Kiryat Hayovel, Lord Boyd Orr expressed his gratification at the stress being placed on all aspects of preventive medicine.

Speaking to the medical officer in charge of the Centre, Dr. Jack Medalie, he declared: "If you give people decent housing, food and health services, especially for mother and child, you have the basis for a healthy generation."

He wished that a family health centre scheme could have been put into operation in his native Scotland; Israel had an advantage in not having to break down conservative habits, he added.

Lord and Lady Boyd Orr watched groups of schoolchildren coming to exchange books and do their homework in the UNESCO-sponsored public library at the Centre. Among the many questions asked by Lord Boyd Orr was to what extent the immigrants from various countries had succeeded in developing a community of interests, and how long it took them to learn Hebrew.

The guests, who were accompanied by Mr. Lucien Harris, Hadassah's Director of Information Services, later visited the new Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Centre at Ein Karem.

Earlier they lunched with Mrs. Zena Harman, Director of the Foreign Ministry's International Organizations Division, and Mr. Zvi Locker, Acting Director of its Commonwealth Division.

Lord and Lady Boyd Orr arrived in Israel early on Sunday morning. They had been invited to attend the International Farmers Convention here in April, but as they were unable to come here in the spring, the Convention's organizing committee decided that the distinguished visitors would be considered its first "honorary delegates."

Drilling of the National Oil company in the Little Makhtesh in the Central Negev started last week. A 14-kilometre road was completed recently to make it possible to get the rig up. Photo by Rosenfeld

Nat'l Oil Co. to Float Bond Issue

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel can fully exploit its oil potential only if intensive prospecting is carried out under expert guidance, Mr. Nahum Shamir, general manager of the National Oil Co., told a press conference at Beit Sokolow on Sunday. He called on the public to take up the IL.30m. issue of dollar-linked debentures to be floated by the company next week.

Some IL4.5m. would be required for prospecting in the near future, when work would be carried out in districts ranging from Galilee to the southern Negev and the Dead Sea region, Mr. Shamir said. The company, formed last summer, has a share capital of IL.15m., of which the Government holds IL2.5m.

The new issue, in units of IL10 and upwards, will be available from all banks. Holders of the debentures, which may be released from 1963 onwards, will enjoy 25 per cent income tax exemption and a minimum interest of 5 per cent, with Government guarantee. The holdings will be convertible into shares at a later stage when a public share issue is floated.

It is the National Oil Company's purpose to take up prospecting where other firms had left off.

Twenty drillings were planned in the coastal region north of Tel Aviv, after gas encountered in initial tests had indicated the possibility of striking oil. The company will also carry out drillings in the Arava, if nearby prospecting by the Naphta Co. proves worthwhile, and continue operations in the *Makhtesh Hakatan* and the Dead Sea region.

Cleared of Swindling Summer Camps

TEL AVIV. — A former head of the Education Department of the Ra'anana Local Council, Mr. Moshe Cohen, was found not guilty in the Tel Aviv District Court on Sunday of the charge of stealing cash and food supplies when he operated children's summer camps.

The defendant had claimed that the summer camp held for children from the Kfar Nahman *ma'abara* at a Ra'anana school was placed under his management by the Education Department on his own financial responsibility. The prosecution asserted that the camp nevertheless came under the jurisdiction of the Local Council and that the supplies there belonged to that body.

Judge P. Avissar ruled that in both summer camps run in 1954 and 1955, the evidence showed the Local Council had handed full responsibility to Mr. Cohen and could not claim any jurisdiction, and that this was backed by the agreements concluded between the accused and a Council official. *(Ilton.)*

THE FIRST shipment of ceramic sanitary ware, worth $50,000, was sent to East Africa from the Harsa factory in Beersheba via Eilat over the week-end.

Electric Co. Workers Strike Today in T.A.

TEL AVIV. — Employees of the Palestine Electric Company in this area are scheduled to hold a two-hour warning strike on Tuesday (tomorrow), *The Jerusalem Post* learned from the P.E.C. Workers Committee on Sunday.

The strike is being called because the management refuses to accept the Union's demand for higher grades to veteran workers.

A New Fashion in Colours (for Next Spring): Poet's Blue

In the spring of 1960, a new fashion will appear on Europe's air routes: Air France's Caravelles have been dressed by the Paris fashion leaders to represent French elegance. Poet's Blue is the main colour used in their interior decoration. The delicate pastel shades of the satin curtains and the blue leather of arm rests blend happily with the gold threaded seats.

In keeping with the Air France tradition of progress, lighter and softer materials have been used in making the "Auditorium" armchairs of the Company's 24 Caravelles for the greater comfort of passengers.

Thus, travellers of the new era will be at leisure to enjoy music while in the air; even at 800 km. (500 miles) per hour, Mozart will retain all of his charm.

This goes to show Air France's desire to satisfy passengers' every possible wish. *(Advt.)*

Bus Mechanics Caused Death

Responsibility for the death of a Jerusalem woman five and a half years ago was finally fixed by Judge M. Gaulan of the Jerusalem District Court on Sunday, when he found two employees of the Hamekasher Bus Co-operative guilty of causing the death of Mrs. Hamama Badichi of Bayit Vagan.

The two men, Avraham Litvak, who was in charge of the cooperative's rolling stock, and Moshe Zefanya, the firm's chief mechanic, were found guilty of carelessness not amounting to criminal negligence. They were given suspended sentences of six months' imprisonment and fined IL75 each.

Mrs. Badichi had met her death when a Hamekasher bus had gone out of control because of a mechanical defect and had crushed her against a tree while she was waiting at the station. The bus driver was exonerated of all responsibility, as the cause of the accident was found definitely to have been mechanical. Litvak and Zefanya had been found guilty as those directly responsible for the mechanical condition of the firm's buses. *(Ilton.)*

Co-op Employees Win Some Demands

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—The Histadrut's Executive Committee on Sunday night confirmed the recommendations of a special committee set up some time ago to examine the demands of the employees of the transport cooperatives for working conditions equivalent to those of members of the cooperatives.

Accepting some of the demands, including those for more leave and paid vacations for veteran employees, the Committee turned down suggestions for a general "equalization." The Chairman of the Committee was Mr. Y. Meshel of the Histadrut's Trade Union Department.

Gov't Backs New Oil Tanker Company

LYDDA AIRPORT. — An agreement with the Government under which it agrees to underwrite the establishment of a tanker shipping company by the Somerfin Investment Company of Geneva, the Zim Navigation Company and the El Yam Shipping Company was signed last Thursday.

This was reported here on Sunday by Mr. Meir Halevy, director of the Somerfin Company, before he left for Switzerland. He told reporters that the firm will receive its first 46,000-ton supertanker from Japanese shipyards by the end of the year and it would transport petroleum to Israel.

Bartell to Head Haifa Refineries

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Mr. Avigdor Bartell, Director of Public Works in the Labour Ministry, has been appointed General Manager of the Refineries. The new Board of Directors, which met here on Friday, ordered the appointment to be published on Sunday.

Mr. Bartell will take up his job on April 1 and until then will be representative of the Board in dealings with the present management of the Consolidated Refineries, Ltd.

Other new managerial appointments will be announced before the end of the month, the company's spokesman stated.

The present manager of the Refineries, Mr. E. Cox, will continue in this capacity until April 1 and then stay on as adviser at least another three months.

The members of the Board of Directors who attended Friday's meeting were the Director General of the Ministry of Finance, Dr. Y. Arnon; the Director General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Mr. M. Tsour; Mr. Bartell; the Chairman of the Board of Bank Leumi, Dr. Y. Forder; the Managing Director of the Swiss Israel Bank, Mr. Y. Konikoff; the Government Fuel Commissioner Mr. I. Kozloff, and the adviser to the Finance Minister, Mr. K. Salomon.

KNESSET PREVIEW:

Penal Law Debate Goes on Today

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset this afternoon is scheduled to continue the first reading of the Bill to Amend the Penal Law (Concealment of Crimes). The bill requires officials or employees who, in their official capacity, learn that certain crimes have been committed, to report this information to the authorities.

Indirectly, the bill aims to do away with the judging of criminal offences by private or disciplinary courts of institutions, organizations or political parties.

This evening the Knesset probably will take up the first reading of the Local Authorities Bill (Land Transfer Fee), which levies a fee on various forms of real estate transfers (such as by lease or legacy) now taxed only by the State.

An Amendment to the Inheritance Laws (Inheritance of Foreign Residents) is expected to be discussed tomorrow (Tuesday). It provides that no inheritance tax shall be levied on a legacy bequeathed to a foreign resident provided that the country in question does not levy an inheritance tax on Israel residents.

Also scheduled for their first reading this week are two bills dealing with the pension rights of judges and *dayanim*, respectively.

Date of Nkrumah's Visit Still Fluid

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — "Prime Minister Nkrumah is looking forward to visiting Israel, but he is involved in so many projects that it's difficult to set an exact date for such a visit," declared Dr. George Padmore, political adviser to the Ghanaian Prime Minister, at a press conference on Sunday. Immediately following the conference he left for Ghana with his wife.

In answer to a question, Dr. Padmore denied that friendly relations between Ghana and Egypt would adversely affect Ghana's relations with Israel. He added that Dr. Nkrumah was not seeking the role of mediator between Israel and Egypt, but would not reject such a task if approached by both sides.

Dr. Padmore was in Israel for a fortnight's visit as guest of the Foreign Ministry. During his visit he studied agricultural developments here with an eye to innovations that could be transplanted to Ghana. He also met for talks with Prime Minister Ben-Gurion both in Jerusalem and in Sde Boker.

Progressives Confer on Taxes

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Progressive Party leadership has held talks with leaders of Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapai on its tax policy, and will meet with Mapam on Monday (today) in Jerusalem, *The Jerusalem Post* was informed by the party spokesman on Sunday.

The Mapai delegation which met the Progressives included the Acting Finance Minister, Mr. P. Naphtali. Meanwhile, the party has agreed to the request of Finance Minister Levi Eshkol to await his return from the U.S. within the next few days before opening talks with his Ministry on taxes.

The party's Executive Committee will meet on February 8 to debate tax policy, and the spokesman said one proposal calls for drastic action including resignation from the coalition.

African T.U. Body Set Up in Guinea

CONAKRY (UPI). — An African trade union movement claiming full equality with other international trade union movements in the world and independent of them all took shape here over the week-end.

While at present limited to French-speaking Africa, it hopes to extend its affiliations progressively to unions throughout the continent. The movement was hailed here as a long step on the road toward the independence of African countries and toward a United States of Africa.

CHILD, 3, FLOWN TO PARENTS IN LONDON

LYDDA AIRPORT. — A three-year-old victim of the 1956 uprising in Budapest, Istvan Miklos, was on Sunday speeding on his way to rejoin his parents in London thanks to the joint efforts of El Al, Magen David Adom and the International Red Cross.

The little refugee was first separated from his father and mother during the rising when they were forced to flee Hungary. He was left with his grandmother, Mrs. Rosa Unger, who later settled in Israel.

Little Istvan remained in Israel as Mrs. Unger believed the boy's parents had perished. However, they had managed to reach safety in London, and from there contacted their relatives in Israel. Through Magen David Adom and the International Red Cross, they arranged for the boy's transfer to England.

El Al donated a free trip and provided a Hungarian-speaking hostess to look after the child. *(Ilton.)*

Ramat Gan Mayor Breaks Budget Tie

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RAMAT GAN. — The IL9m. municipal budget, 12 per cent higher than last year's estimates, was adopted by the Municipality on Sunday after Mayor A. Krinitzi cast his vote to break the 8:8 deadlocked vote. The General Zionists, Hapoel Hamizrahi and WIZO voted for, against the combined eight votes of the Labour and Herut parties.

During an all-day session, the opposition charged that the Municipal Council has wasted thousands of cubic metres of water. The failure to install a chlorinator at the Gali Gil swimming pool and in the boating pond at the National Park were cited as two typical examples of water wastage. If a chlorinator is installed the same water can be re-used a number of times.

IL5.5M. BUDGET FOR PETAH TIKVA

Jerusalem Post Reporter

PETAH TIKVA. — Mayor P. Rashish on Sunday presented to the Municipal Council a proposed budget of IL5.5m. for 1959/60, an increase of 20 per cent over the previous year. The Council postponed debate on the budget to the next meeting.

SAPIR WARNS C.M.B.

(Continued from Page One)

terms of delivery of the cartons. During the course of these negotiations, the Board claimed that the cartons were too expensive and that Cargal could reduce their price by six cents a carton. Mr. Sapir offered to arbitrate and Mr. Dubiner agreed to accept the Minister's decision as binding. The Board declined.

Ever since, the Board had been sending delegations to Mr. Sapir to try to persuade him to give up pressing them to carry out the Sharef report's recommendations. These interventions culminated in a meeting at which two members of the Board said to Mr. Sapir: "How much will the workers at Lydda (Cargal factory) lose through our cancellation of the order for 1m. cartons? — IL50,000? — We are ready to advance them this sum." "I rejected this offer with contempt," Mr. Sapir said.

Last week the Board decided to cancel its order. "This, I claim, was part of a 'holy war' the Board was waging against Cargal and the carton," the Minister added.

He emphasized that at this stage he was not interested in the relative merits of the different forms of packaging, nor was it for him to decide on the matter. "The Board has not assisted in any way and gave no opportunity for ascertaining the quality of the cartons. By its obstruction and constant interference, the Board has gone far beyond what can be considered legitimate for a public body."

The C.M.B. had presented its case against the cartons in a manner that could very seriously harm Cargal's export drive, Mr. Sapir declared. Cargal now had on hand an order from neighbouring countries for 8m. cartons, and the campaign here against the firm could prejudice the chances of expanding carton exports.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry concluded: "I can only appeal to the members of the C.M.B. to go back on their decision — only IL. 780,000 are involved in the purchase of 1m. cartons, and their ambition to fight Dubiner is not worth an open breach of contract with the Government."

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MICHAEL RABIN HERE FOR I.P.O. SERIES

TEL AVIV. — The young American violinist, Michael Rabin, arrived here on Saturday night to appear with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra. He will be the soloist in the fifth subscription concert series, conducted by Georg Singer, opening in Tel Aviv on Tuesday night.

The 23-year old musician, who was last in Israel in the summer of 1957, has just concluded a European concert tour followed by a coast-to-coast tour of the U.S.

Walder and Wife Leaving Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Michael Walder, the 24-year-old Louisiana lawyer, and his bride Nurit (Flitzer) will leave Israel for London on Monday, after the Magistrates Court on Sunday lifted its temporary injunction preventing his departure. Mr. Walder posted a IL600 bond with the Court and deposited his testimony with Dr. N. Stern, the lawyer the Court appointed to receive it.

Mr. Walder was prevented from leaving Israel as a result of a claim for IL800 in "matchmaking fees" by Mr. Emanuel Dehan, a tourist guide. Mr. Walder has refused to pay the sum, claiming that Dehan was trying to extort the money from him.

Beduin Boy Has Leg Amputated

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA.—The 10-year-old Beduin boy, Sultan el-Huseil, who was brought to the local Hadassah Hospital on Saturday with serious injuries after he fell off a tractor, had his leg amputated on Sunday.

Beduin Gets 5 Years Jail for Espionage

A 50-year-old Negev Beduin was found guilty of passing to a neighbouring enemy country information and documents which were liable to harm the security of the state, and was sentenced to five years imprisonment on Sunday by Relieving President H.E. Baker of the Jerusalem District Court.

The sentence imposed on Abdul Khader will run from the date of his detention in March, 1956.

The court found that Khader had been in touch with enemy agents and had also made contact with two Jews with a view to obtaining information for the benefit of that enemy state. The two, who furnished some information which "perhaps had no great value," and which was passed on to the agents, notified the authorities of the Beduin's activities.

The prosecution claimed that Khader was only part of a larger spy network, but Judge Baker ruled that the evidence presented did not bear this out, and did not warrant the maximum penalty of 14 years imprisonment. *(Ilton.)*

Non-Communists Quit Popular Front

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NAZARETH. — Nearly all non-Communist Arab leaders of the Popular Front have withdrawn from the organization following the surprise resignation last week of Mr. Taher Fahoum, head of the Front's local branch, *The Jerusalem Post* learned on Sunday.

Among those were Mr. Yanni Yanni, head of the Kafr Yassif Local Council and Mr. Shukri Khazen, principal of the Greek Orthodox High School in Haifa. Mr. Jabbour Jabbour, Mayor of Shfar Am, resigned a fortnight ago.

This step followed a dispute with the Front's Communists who urged "full cooperation with the Communist party during the campaigns for the Municipality and the Knesset elections."

The failure of the Communists' efforts to prevent a split of the Front has turned the organization into a Communist movement.

Government Newsmen To Strike Tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV. — The Journalists Association decided at a special meeting on Sunday to support the strike of editorial staffs at the Government Press Office, Kol Yisrael and the "Bamahaneh" Army weekly starting Tuesday. The strike is threatened because the wage scale in these agencies has not been brought in line with the agreement signed between the Histadrut and the Journalists Association last April 1.

Repeated appeals of the Civil Servants Union to the Civil Service Commission have proved fruitless.

Jordan Bars Two More Armenians

Jordan barred two more Armenians from crossing the lines to the Old City to celebrate Armenian Orthodox Christmas in Bethlehem on Sunday. This brings the number of Armenians prevented from entering Jordan-held territory for the holiday to 37.

About 500 Armenians and Christian Arabs, with Greek Orthodox and Roman Catholic, crossed the border at Mandelbaum Gate into Jordan. They are to return to Israel today.

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DEATH IN HAVANA

Castro's Brother Orders Summary Executions

By PHILIP DEANE

HAVANA (OPNS).— A CHILLING doubt has spread in Havana about the Cuban revolution that rid the island of its dictator, General Fulgencio Batista. Cubans, looking beyond the glitter and glory of Fidel Castro's victory, are wondering whether he will be able to control the extremists in his movement, led by his younger brother Raul.

The summary executions of Batista's followers in many parts of the island have given rise to the anxiety. When more than 70 of them were lined up on the edge of a trench in front of a firing squad protesting their innocence, it was Raul Castro who ordered the tommy-gunners to mow them down and he watched them die.

When orders went out to stop the executions, Dr. Roberto Agramonte, Cuba's Foreign Secretary, defended those that had taken place saying that if the Revolutionary Government did not administer "justice," the Cuban people who suffered torture and privation under Batista might take the law into their own hands. But the killings have tarnished the revolutionary record.

Personal Virtue

Fidel Castro won the revolutionary war mainly because of his personal virtue, because his guerilla followers had unlimited faith in his goodness and his promises, and because of the nature of his close disciples and lieutenants — men like the 28-year-old Camilo Cienfuegos who took over the administration of Havana; Ernesto Guevara, the 30-year-old Argentine physician, the quickest mind of the revolution, who thinks of Latin America in terms of unity as Nasser thinks of the Arab world; and the provisional President, Dr. Manuel Urrutia, a judge in his fifties, who was so devoted to democratic rule in Batista's time that he defied the dictator and refused to condemn "rebels," proclaiming from the bench that when legal means of opposition were denied, rebellion was not a criminal act.

There are others of the same calibre: a good economist with an international reputation to run Cuban finances, an outstanding engineer for public works, a dedicated educationist to turn schools from fiefs of grafters into honest centres of learning.

On the whole (with a question mark on Guevara, who has been accused of Communist leanings) these are conservative men by European standards. And the prospect before Cuba would look rosy enough, were it not for Raul Castro. It is from him that springs the gnawing doubt about his elder brother's ability to turn a brilliant guerilla victory into a stable democratic administration.

Fidel Castro gave an encouraging demonstration of his influence when he persuaded the university students to disband their separate rebel movements and trust him. He convinced them of his sincerity, his belief in democratic procedures and of his pledges to lead the country to popular and just rule. And there can hardly have been a more decorous conquering army than the troops Fidel Castro led into Havana.

Bulldozing Graves

But back in the countryside Raul Castro, who does not take kindly to informing his superiors, was digging graves with bulldozers to bury the men accused of crimes under the deposed dictator. Summary executions are to be expected when a rebellion is in full swing and theft and rape and other disorder require the enforcement of iron discipline in the fields. But the rebels were no longer fighting in the fields. They were already the Government, busy reinstating the democratic constitution of 1940 — which, incidentally, bans capital punishment. They have all the time they need for the due process of law, for trials with proper defence and the cross-examination of witnesses. The provisional President is a respected jurist who can hardly favour summary justice.

Fidel Castro and his lieutenants have thus far strictly protected the property of Batista men and on their orders a number of Batista officers are held in Havana awaiting a proper trial. But during the rebellion, when Raul Castro kidnapped some American and Canadian citizens, he defied for some time Fidel Castro's orders that they be released. Raul boasted to Western newspapermen then that he and his fanatical followers controlled more territory than his brother, which was true.

In the Castro family history there is a long string of episodes all pointing to an obsessive desire in Raul to outdo his brother, to prove himself a bigger man. The psychologists call it "sibling rivalry."

Destructive Seed

Fidel has thus far acted with indulgence towards Raul, permitting him a latitude of defiance allowed to no one else. The doubt that troubles responsible Cubans is whether this is the normal tolerance of an elder brother or the inability to control Raul and the extremists who cluster round him, cheering his leftist speeches, relishing his cold fury in action and the ruthless extermination he has meted out to his enemies. They fear that in this situation may lie the self-destructive seeds that exist in every revolution.

THE CONQUEST OF THE MOON

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HEARD ABROAD

The only reason why I am here today is that luckily nobody asked me whether I was a Communist or not
— Mr. Mikoyan, in U.S.

What on earth is wrong with young men wearing jeans? — The Marquess of Hertford.

In Ghana we have plenty of cocoa, but somehow we don't drink any milk—Dr. Nkrumah.

The West appears to have no definite Middle East policy. Russia has — and that's why they are winning. — King Hussein.

You do not get something for nothing in this world — not if you are a woman. — Dame Kathleen Lonsdale.

One has two duties — to be worried and not to be worried.—Mr. E. M. Forster.

Shi-ling and politics are pretty much the same — you get more careful as you grow older. — Mr. Charles Orr-Ewing, British Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Air.

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Questions to Mikoyan Unanswered

DOES Mr. Mikoyan really believe, asks Herut, that he has already solved the Jewish problem in U.S.S.R. merely by saying that all nationalities in the Union, including the Jews, enjoy cultural freedom? Why does not the Kremlin give the Jews the choice of assimilating or leaving for Israel? That would give it the opportunity to find out just how sound its contentions are and there is no reason why it should recoil from a test. Davar (Histadrut) echoes these sentiments.

Hatzofe (National Religious) writes that the "Soviet Merchant's worn wares" which he is trying to "sell" the Americans on the Jewish problem in Russia, his denials and explanations, cannot calm World Jewry's vital concern with the fate of our brethren in Sovietland. The State of Israel and its Government should sound the call that the Soviets open the gates and permit all those who wish to come to Israel to do so.

Hahoker (General Zionist) writes that perhaps we are expecting too much from politicians when we ask them unpleasant questions. The answer that "some of my best friends etc" recurs in the arguments of them all when they desire to conceal how they feel about anti-Semitism.

Ha'aretz (non-party) does not accept the reasons advanced by the Citrus Marketing Board in support of its cancellation of the million carton order from Cargal, and wants the Economic Ministers to tell the Board in no uncertain terms that unless they weigh economic issues on their own merits and in accordance with the Sharef Committee's recommendations, they will have to be replaced by men who can make the public interest their main concern.

Ma'ariv inveighs against the Khoushy Committee recommendations to establish a Government - Histadrut ownership of the bus cooperatives and claims that this would amount to expropriating the cooperative members, setting a dangerous precedent even if it eradicated the faults of our public transport service.

Ceylon See-Saw Tilted by Tito

By FRANCES ASHBORN

COLOMBO (OPNS). — CEYLON reminds one these days of the party to which Harpo Marx invited avowed enemies so that no matter how embarrassed everybody might feel he would at least enjoy the confusion. For nobody could have chosen his guests with more abandon than Mr. Solomon Bandaranaike since he became Prime Minister 33 months ago.

He rolled out the same red carpet for Britain's Harold Macmillan as for China's Chou En-lai one year before. It was with the same open arms that he welcomed both Mr. William Siroky, Prime Minister of Czechoslovakia and Mr. John Diefenbaker, Prime Minister of Canada. If he invited Indonesia's President Sukarno, he also invited Mr. Walter Nash, Prime Minister of New Zealand, with Premier Nehru of India, Premier Kishi of Japan and Dr. Ludwig Erhard, Economic Minister of Western Germany thrown in for good measure.

The invitation to Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia, who arrives on Tuesday, strikes an intriguing balance in this peculiar see-sawing. If certain Western leaders should say it was not absolutely necessary, elation is not the word that can best describe the feelings of the Russian Ambassador in Colombo.

Ceylon's Communists, whose glee was unconfined when Mr. Chou En-lai came in 1957 and was even allowed to address the mass rally on Colombo's Independence Square on February 4, Ceylon's Independence Day, will show no enthusiasm at all about Tito's visit. But the Trotskyists, who are politically stronger than the Communists and have a bigger following, who saw in the visits of Mr. Chou En-lai and Mr. Siroky no more than a relaxation of the previous Government's diehard anti-Communist policy, are going to enjoy the confusion.

Communist Aid

Marshal Tito's visit will probably produce another tortuous joint communique condemning colonialism, stressing friendship between the two countries, forging cultural links, and promising mutual assistance—a euphemism for economic aid for Ceylon.

Past visiting signatories from the Communist world apparently took things seriously. They have given aid. They have sent their ballet, circus, folk dancing and puppet troupes to perform here, and hundreds of Ceylonese teachers and students have already visited Russia, China and other Communist countries in large batches. The visitors came, saw and invited. The Ceylonese went, saw and were apparently impressed. There, as far as Ceylon was concerned, the reciprocity ended. But the other side is still in the field. Promises of aid, if not actual aid, are pouring in all the time.

Where then lie the real sympathies of the leader of 10,000,000 people in this strategically-placed island half way between the Middle East and the Far East, but nearer to Moscow than London? Plagued with crisis after crisis in his homeland as Trotskyist-inspired strikes have followed communal rioting, his domestic policy has been opportunist and vague. His foreign policy is equally ambiguous. It has not run clear in any of the past batch of joint communiques, and it is not likely to do so when Tito has departed. But observers may ponder one curiosity.

Mr. Bandaranaike has been invited to Russia by Mr. Khrushchev, he has been invited to China by Mr. Chou En-lai, and he was pressed to go to Yugoslavia by its Vice-President, Mr. Vukmanovic, as long ago as 1957. But he has not returned the visits of even one of his guests whose sympathies lie with the Communist world. Since he came to power nearly three years ago he has left Ceylon only twice: to visit Britain and the U.S.

NATURE NOTES

GULLS GALORE

THE gulls are back in force, both by the Mediterranean coast and on the Lake of Galilee. But what gulls?! Identification is not so easy at a distance. We have no breeding *gulls* here, only terns. But we have six winter visitors of the genus Larus—listed here in degree of numbers:

Herring gull *(Larus argentatus — Sakhav kaspi gadol)*. It is white, with black wingtips and very light-grey upperside.

Common gull *(Larus canus — Sakhav kaspi katan)* which resembles it closely. If you see them together, you notice the Common gull is smaller and its legs are rather lemon than egg-yellow.

Lesser blackbacked gull *(Larus fuscus — Sakhav shekhor-gav)*. Here I despair of keeping the Black-backed and Herring gull apart. The first is darker, it is true, though not much, especially when the birds are young, and in winter.

Black-headed gull *(Larus ridibundus — Sakhav ha-agmin, Sakhav hatsokhek)*. Don't look for the black head, which by the way, is never black, but velvety brown. At least now you won't find it. By the time he leaves us, in April, he may or may not have acquired it, but in winter it is snow-white. He is easily confused with the Common gull in winter, too, because then his legs are pale. But in spring when the plumage darkens, the legs and bill do too and gradually grow bright red. The only point good for identification are the white wingtips.

Little gull *(Larus minutus — Sakhav gamadi)*. This is so small (25 cm.) that it is easier to know. Also, it is most often seen inland.

Slender-billed gull *(Larus genei — Sakhav adin hamakor)*. This is very pretty, pure white, with black wingtips and faintly rose underside. It is rare.

P.A.

Visitors' Gallery

Giulini: Enthusiasm and Amore

CARLO Maria Giulini, who is guest-conducting the I.P.O. in Verdi's Requiem of Four Solo Voices, Chorus, and Orchestra, takes mild exception to the view that the work has more of the quality of opulent opera than sacred music. An emotion as profound as religious sentiment, he holds, is capable of profoundly different expression. "Palestrina made of this text a high, pure line between Man and God. Verdi sees everything in its dramatic physiognomy. They are the same words, but for Verdi every word has a dramatic significance."

Watching a performance of this work is in itself something of a dramatic experience. The conductor has before him a massive musical organization of 275 persons through whom he must express his single-minded conception of the composer's intention. What that intention is, says Maestro Giulini, is not altogether indicated by score. "Life cannot be seen in the notes. That is up to the personality of the interpreter."

GIULINI

Maestro Giulini, a mild-mannered man, is not of the baton-throwing school of conductors. His way of getting results is to approach both the music and his instrument (in this case 90 orchestra members, 180 singers of the Tel Aviv Chamber Choir and four soloists) with "enthusiasm and *amore*."

The 44-year-old Maestro is used to large musical organizations and has built up a solid reputation as conductor at the famed opera houses of La Scala and Covent Garden. He says, nevertheless, that a preference for conducting symphonic works is sometimes forced upon him. "In opera you need a very good orchestra, no? You need very good chorus, ballet, stage, costumes, decors. And very much rehearsal. This calls for very much money. If it is not possible, then I prefer concerts: all you need for that is a good orchestra."

'Unmusical Family'

Mr. Giulini, who comes of an "unmusical family" in a little village near Verona, asked for and got a violin at the age of five after an itinerant band of musicians had passed through the village. He received his first lessons from nuns at a convent school and later received regular instruction in viola and piano as well as composition and conducting. In his student days, Giulini played a great deal of chamber music, a form of the musical art which he still considers "the most beautiful and the most difficult."

This is the Maestro's third visit to this country and the most ambitious. Following the series of performances of the Requiem—resumed last Sunday after four harrowing cancellations due to the illness of the bass, Raffaele Arie, and the delay in the arrival of a substitute — Mr. Giulini will mount a full-scale opera performance of Verdi's "Falstaff," with scenery, costumes and a cast imported from La Scala and the New York Metropolitan Opera.

Giulini feels that Israel concert-goers are worthy of the effort the performer makes. They have, he says, both an authentic love of music and an educated acquaintance with it. "You see many people in the audience following the music with scores in their hands."

Surely the same could be said of his own countrymen? Giulini shakes his head. "In Italy we have good singers. That's because we have free pure vowel sounds. But love of classical music is not so wide-spread as here."

MALKA RABINOWITZ

Better Understanding of Shylock

Readers' Letters

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — May I, as the daughter of a well-known Shakespeare critic, take issue with the most sensible and knowledgeable letter by Mr Robert Baer, published in yesterday's issue.

All Mr. Baer says is true. But he forgets some things, or possibly they have not struck him. Mr. Guthrie said, and he is surely right, that he would interpret Shylock in accordance with the author's intentions. But what were those intentions? Libraries have been written about the "Merchant" and especially about Shylock. Wildly divergent opinions have been expressed about these very intentions, and indeed the text itself, always supposing it to have come down to us in its more or less original form, shows contradictions.

In fact, this is not the only character of Shakespeare's moulding to break the form, so to speak. Careful reading of the text, without letting the interpretations of famous actors and Shakespeare scholars influence you, will show that Shylock, who, by the by, is in no wise the hero of the play, but only a foil to the Merchant, was conceived as a villain, a wretched materialistic usurer, and cruel to boot. In the course of writing, Shakespeare's unfailing instinct for the truth in human nature broke through his intention to paint a monster modelled after Marlowe's "Jew of Malta" — for Shakespeare knew no Jew in the flesh. There had been none in England for 300 years. At this point the monster becomes human and breaks into the famous speech "Hath not a Jew eyes?..." (III, 1).

But whatever the reason, whether the one given above be valid or not, the break in character is obvious and has not been disputed by any commentator. So the question remains—what were Shakespeare's intentions? Is Shylock a monster, as most of his speeches make him out to be — apart from his acts — or is he the prototype of a good man wronged beyond endurance and thus changed into a vessel of revenge and nothing else? How will Mr. Guthrie have him represented? As a monster, and a ridiculous and contemptible monster at that, as he was played in the first centuries after Shakespeare; or as the warped scion of a noble race, deformed by the wrongs done his nation, yet not lacking in nobility?

It remains to be seen — but whatever he makes of him, I can see no reason whatever to deprive us of seeing the "Merchant" on the stage. We are at home here, amongst ourselves. We need fear no "anti-Semitic reactions" from an alien and hostile population. Why not see what a great artist like Mr. Guthrie makes of the play, and then indulge in pleasing controversy, if such is necessary? Surely we cannot be "offended" by Shakespeare, whatever his intentions, a man who has been in his grave for more than 300 years? Nor with Mr. Guthrie who cannot even in the wildest flight of fancy be imagined to intend to bait us here in our own homeland?

This touchiness is a remnant of the Galut. Let us slough it off as soon as possible.

Yours, etc.
PAULA ARNOLD

Benyamina, January 14.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Shylock is not, as Mr. Robert Baer sees the here of "The Merchant of Venice," "a cruel Jewish money-lender," a demon asking the legal pound of flesh for his money, but a human being, insulted as a Jew, beaten, profoundly hurt in his family feelings, who only grasps the opportunity to show his reaction to the Jew-baiter refusing or unable to pay his debt. He doesn't appear against his adversary with a Jewish law but with an old Roman law inherited and enforced by Christian Venice too, a law often quoted in history, sociology and economic science, which allows the money-lender to arrest his debtor in his own house, to sell him as a slave, to cut a certain amount of flesh off his body or to kill him.

Shylock, in Shakespeare's mind, and in Rudolf Schildkraut's and other great artists' interpretation, is a human victim trying to avenge himself against his cruel enemies, and the law he is asking to be enforced is not Jewish.

Habimah and Tyrone Guthrie will surely give us a beautiful performance of one of Shakespeare's finest plays and we are awaiting this artistic event.

Yours, etc.
HENRY MARCUS

Jerusalem, January 13.

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I could not help noticing the apparent contradiction arising from Mr. Super's Marginal Column on anti-Semitism and the reader's letter declaring "The Merchant of Venice" unsuitable for the Hebrew stage in Israel (both published in your issue of January 13). The point of the Marginal Column seemed to be that, however problematic the national situation may be, one malady synonymous with Jews in the Diaspora played no role in our national life, and the implication was that Jewish consciousness was lacking in Israel to the extent that it created a void which had to be filled by educational means.

As the stage is an educational force, it would be a pity to use it for criticizing others only, ultimately giving the impression that Jewish "Shylocks" don't exist and that much cause for anti-Semitism, usually blamed on the characteristics of Jews, is a complete falsification... Shylock isn't a purely imaginary character completely removed from reality; he is equated with Jewish usurers at least, if not with Jews in general.

For a Jewish audience not to be able to digest this portrayal indicates a sense of conscious association, showing that the negative aspects of Jewish consciousness still prevail here and that real education is necessary. Only if we become acquainted with unpleasant truths and can admit, deny or explain their causes, can we develop a healthy Jewish consciousness.... Generally speaking, while an indigenous population is unaware of the degrading life of Jews in the Diaspora, the latter are overaware. In both instances, an ability to stand up to criticism and react to it, as is objectively required, or to feel sympathy with our past history which forced Jews into certain occupations and exposed them to hatred, can bring us nearer to a solution of a Jewish problem that still exists.

The stage can play a multiple role in education, and freedom on the stage is a means of broadening that education. Suggesting that such means be denied us shows a lack of insight and is proof of the existence of a negative Jewish consciousness.

Yours, etc.
MEYER AVERBUCH

Kibbutz Tel Katzir, January 5.

KEEPING POSTED

A FRIEND who has lived in Haifa for many years says that while the discovery of the two discreet brothels did bother them a little, it was at first largely because they felt that if such things could be going on behind the ultra-respectable exteriors of the houses on Mount Carmel, then there was no knowing anything any longer. They might be building an atom bomb at the Technion, or you'd get

arsenic in your glass of tea at your favourite cafe one day. Husband and wife looked at each other with just a shade of embarrassment, hoped the children wouldn't get to hear too many fanciful details, which of course they did, and were prepared to leave the rest to the Police. They did not begin to get really upset until they discovered that this sordid tale had got their staid Haifa so interested that nobody would talk of anything else, and the story began to grow like weeds, putting out tentacles in all directions. Had they heard, *that* was where Mrs. so-and-so had being going Tuesdays, and not to her old dentist in Tel Aviv at all. And what about Mr. Y., whom you could never get at his office... Somebody made what they considered a humorous phone-call, representing themselves as the Police, and the result was 48 hours' hysterics the other end, which made you think didn't it? Some women stayed home because they were fed up with the gossip, others went out all the time to show they had nothing to hide. Then the rumour sprang up — as completely arbitrary in origin as all the others — that a certain shop had been acting as an agent for the two houses. People began to stare and to loiter, in the hope of identifying clients or employees. The story snowballed, and got into an evening paper. The crowds camped out on the pavement, undismayed by next day's denial.

The consensus of opinion is that there is simply not enough legitimate entertainment in Haifa if half the town can take a week off from its senses in this way. Nothing like it, they say, has been known there since the public escalator was put into action on Rehov Herzl last year, and drew a crowd of thousands.

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THE real old-style Yecke stories are getting rare, for the strictly literal and law-abiding Yecke head has proved unable to survive constant contact with the more pliant minds of the rest of the population. But here is, for once, the genuine article, sent to us by a gentleman who states that he is a very old reader of this paper:

As I was standing the other day at the corner of King George Avenue and Jaffa Road, waiting for the green light to be able to cross, a lady of my acquaintance and her teen-age daughter were also waiting there. When the green light with the man walking went on I was in the mood to make a little joke, and I said to her from behind, "Excuse me, Madam, this time it is only for men!" Imagine my surprise when she answered, without looking round, "Yes, but we are in a hurry, my daughter is late for school!"

A YOUNGISH man, a recent immigrant, turned up at the Beersheba police station this week to ask that they should write a letter to the Minister of Finance for him and ask for IL170 on his behalf. This money, his entire savings, had been in a wallet that his goat had eaten. They should ask Mr. Eshkol to give him some new money instead. The Police said they were very

sorry at his misadventure, but that this was outside their sphere. Wasn't there anything left to send to the Bank as evidence? How did he know the goat had eaten it? And if he had been there, why hadn't he tried to stop the goat?

"I'm afraid of him," said the man.

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